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SUBJ: SMITHSONIAN ANTHROPOLOGICAL FILM PROJECT

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1. BRIEDENBACH SHIPMENTS CONSISTED OF TOTAL OF ABOUT 13 SEPARATE PACKAGES, INCLUDING TWO ALUMINUM SUITCASES AND AT LEAST THREE BACKPACKS. REMAINDER WERE PACKAGES OF FILM. THESE WERE SHIPPED IN EIGHT DIPLOMATIC POUCHES, INVOICE NUMBERS A-52 THROUGH A-59 (REFB) WHICH EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS WERE RECEIVED IN DEPT BETWEEN DEC 31 AND JAN 12 (REF C). IN ADDITION THERE WAS ONE CANISTER, CONTAINING TRIPOD, TOO LARGE FOR POUCH. INDIVIDUAL PACKAGES WERE PREPARED FOR SHIPMENT BY BRIEDENBACH. EMBASSY DOES NOT RPT NOT RECALL HOW PACKAGES WERE ADDRESSED. THEY MAY HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED TO BRIEDENBACH IN KHARTOUM, SINCE AT TIME HIS DEPARTURE IT WAS UNDERSTOOD EMBASSY WOULD SHIP DIRECTLY TO EMBASSY KHARTOUM. EMBASSY SUVA DID NOT CHANGE ADDRESSES ON PACKAGES. IT ASSUMED THAT SINCE POUCH INVOICE NUMBERS AND POUCH NUMBERS HAD BEEN REPORTED TO DEPARTMENT (REF B) THAT ARRANGEMENTS WOULD BE MADE FOR ENTIRE SHIPMENT TO BE TRANSFERRED DIRECTLY TO SMITHSONIAN, NOT PLACED IN MAIL SYSTEM.

2. BRIEDENBACH GAVE EMBASSY INVENTORY WHICH HE PREPARED FOR POSSIBLE CUSTOMS USE IN BRINGING EQUIPMENT INTO FIJI FROM COOK ISLANDS. INVENTORY DID NOT SHOW WHAT MATERIAL WAS IN WHAT PACKAGE. BELIEVE BRIEDENBACH BETTER ABLE TO IDENTIFY PACKAGES THAN EMBASSY WOULD BE. LIST WAS DESTROYED AFTER EMBASSY ADVISED POUCHES HAD ARRIVED WASHINGTON.

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